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ANNOUNCES NEW ORGANIZATIONS
IN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES USSR

By decree of the Presidium of the Academy of Sciences USSR, a Commission on Roentgenography was organized under the Department of Physicomathematical Sciences. This commission is responsible for the coordination of scientific work in research on Roentgen rays, Roentgenography and electrocography conducted in scientific research institutes of the Academy of Sciences, and the review of work completed by branch institutes and factory laboratories.

The commission must render all possible assistance in the application of Roentgen rays and electronography in the various fields of science and industry, in the introduction of the results of scientific research into the national economy, and in the development of Soviet special instrument building. It is authorized to call meetings, councils, conferences, and sessions on problems related to the study and application of Roentgen rays.

The approved staff of the commission consists of: chairman, G. V. Kurdyumov, Corresponding Member, Academy of Sciences USSR; vice chairman, I. B. Vorovskiy and G. S. Zhdanov, Doctors of Physicomathematical Sciences; and scientific secretary, V. A. Pospelov, Candidate of Physicomathematical Sciences.

The Presidium defined the structure of the Institute of Animal Morphology imeni A. N. Severtsov as follows: Section of Cytology (connected with this section is the laboratory of the physiology of cells), Section of Histology, Section of Embryology (includes three laboratories: comparative embryology, embryology of vertebrates, and experimental embryology imeni D. N. Filatov, Section of Postembryonic Development (connected with this section is the laboratory of postembryonic development and the laboratory of regeneration problems), Section of Morphology and Ecology of Invertebrates (includes laboratory of ecological embryology), and the Section of Evolutionary Physiology. Furthermore, the institute foresees the establishment of a laboratory of microcinematography, which will service the filming operations of laboratories of the institute and develop methods of scientific cinematography.

Attached to this Institute are the "Kropotovo" and "Glubokoye Ozero" biological stations.

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By decree of the Presidium, a laboratory for the restoration of hearing and speech, to be located at Moscow, was organized under the Physiological Institute imeni I. P. Pavlov. The purpose of this laboratory is to carry out an extensive study of the problems concerning the effects of high audiotapes on human hearing and on perception of speech under loud noise conditions.

The Commission on Problems of Gas Turbines applied to the Power Engineering Institute imeni G. M. Krzhizhanovskiy and obtained the name "Commission on Gas Turbines and Special Engines." The approval staff of the commission consists of: chairman, A. G. Kostikov, Corresponding Member, Academy of Sciences USSR, vice chairman, B. S. Stechkin, Corresponding Member, Academy of Sciences USSR.

The Ichthyologic Commission was organized under the Department of Biological Sciences. Officers are: chairman, Academician K. S. Berg, vice chairmen, V. A. Vodyanitskiy and L. A. Zenkevich, Doctors of Biological Sciences.

In conformance with the order of the Council of Ministers USSR, a scientific secretariat of the Council for Coordination of Scientific Works in the Academies of Sciences of the Soviet Republics was organized. The staff of this council consists of a scientific secretary, four assistants, a reviewer, and a secretary-stenographer. The approved scientific secretary is Docent V. P. Kirichenko.

In 1949, the Presidium awarded prizes of 7,500 rubles to each of the following persons: B. Ye. Sheyverman, Doctor of Biological Sciences, for his work "Forming Elements of Speech of a Deaf-Mute Child by Temporary Insertion of a Sound Analyzer"; Ye. A. Ivanova, Doctor of Biological Sciences, for her work "Habitat, Form of Life, and Growth of Certain Brachypodes of the Middle and Late Carboniferous Period of the Lower Moscow Basin"; M. P. Zrazanskaya, Candidate in Chemical Sciences, for her work "Obtaining Water Soluble Gramicidin"; V. P. Afanas'yev, Candidate in Chemical Sciences, for his work "The Nature of Fermentative Activity"; N. M. Sisayakyan, Doctor of Biological Sciences, for studies of "Fermentative Activity of Plastids."

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